AMG Trainees Given Red Lectures At Pittsburgh University

A red-hot Communist party line speech has been delivered by William S. Gailmor, Communist propagandist, to Army officers in the War Department's Allied Government School at the University of Pittsburgh, according to a release of the pro-Communist Federated Press.

Charging that it took the War Department to bring a Communist propagandist to the ultra-conservative University of Pittsburgh campus, Frederick Woltman, New York World-Telegram Staff Writer, identified the lecturer, William S. Gailmor, as a columnist of the pro-Communist Federated Press, and as a man "whom the Daily Worker, official organ of the Communist Party, calls one of the 'leading New York Communicators.'"

World-Telegram writer Woltman last week exposed Communist influences among Army cadets at Cornell University.

Lectures Army Staff

The Pittsburgh lecturer, states Woltman, "undertook to read a lecture to Army officers in the War Department's Allied Military Government School telling them what they should do and not to do when they move into territory captured from the Axis."

According to the pro-Communist Federated Press, Gailmor warned (Oct. 18) Pittsburgh's AMG officers, who are being trained for administrative duties in German and the Balkans that they should not interfere with revolutions taking place under Allied control.

"Don't Try To Stop People's Revolutions, Federated Press Columnist Tells AMG Trainees" was the way the headline read in the Federated Press release.

Mr. Gailmor's lecture to the AMG army officers called General Mikhailovitch, the Yugoslav Quisling and a "Fascist-under-the-skin."

Follows Party Line

Gailmor's speech follows, as Woltman notes, the party line in the American Communist press, which is highly critical of the Allied Military Government as a force that interferes with Communist-inspired uprisings in captured territory, particularly in Italy and the Balkans. The government-controlled press in Moscow itself has even called AMG "Fascist" and demanded that it be abolished.

The Federated Press reported its own columnist Gailmor's speech to Pittsburgh's AMG officers as follows:

"Don't go into liberated lands with the idea of stemming people's revolutions already taking place.

"There can be no room in post-war military and civic administration of liberated countries for the kind of diplomatic manipulations that caused the present war—for the simple reason that peoples of Fascist-dominated lands know the score. They will take no more tyranny in any form or guise.

"Whenever our forces enter they must bring a dynamic, workable version of the Bill of Rights. Nothing can be more disastrous to democratic war aims and peace aims than to come as policemen to liberated lands with the idea of stemming people's revolutions already taking place."

William S. Gailmor, as Woltman reveals, is a radio commentator whose name appears regularly in the Daily Worker in connection with Communist front affairs. Last January he was a featured speaker at a conference organized by the Communist foreign language press and repudiated by 10 of the leading foreign language papers of New York.

Gailmor has also denounced the Dies Committee for publishing volumes of printed testimony exposing Communist infiltration in America.

CIO Leader, Famed Colored Track Star Win '43 Hoey Awards

NEW YORK — Philip Murray, president of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, and Ralph Metcalfe, famous Colored track star and now a member of Uncle Sam's armed forces, have been named to receive the 1943 James J. Hoey Awards for Interracial Justice, it has been announced here by the Catholic Interracial Council.

The awards were established last year by the family of the late James J. Hoey, former Collector of Internal Revenue and first president of the Catholic Interracial Council. Two medals are conferred each year on the white and colored Catholic laymen who have been considered the most outstanding contributors during the year to the cause of interracial justice.

Mr. Murray, who is president of the United Steelworkers of America as well as CIO head, was cited for the award because of his firm and forthright stand favoring the admission of Colored into labor unions.

Prior to his induction into the Army, Mr. Metcalfe, who during his track stardom days was known as "the world's fastest human," had been an outstanding member of the National Catholic Community Service staff. He served first as Director at the Anniston, Ala., Club and more recently was Negro field consultant and USO mobile director with the 93rd Division at Camp Clipper, Calif.

While at Marquette University, Mr. Metcalfe was an honor student and won second honors in the Olympic Games in Los Angeles in 1932. The following year he broke the world's record in a 100-meter race. Before he joined the NCCS in early 1942, Mr. Metcalfe served on the USO executive committee for recreation of Negro soldiers in New Orleans. He was converted to the Catholic faith in 1932 and has said: "My conversion was the most important single act in my whole life. Catholicity has opened my eyes. It has brought me happiness. It has consoled and heartened me. I rely on prayer in all my efforts and my plea to heaven is that I may ever remain faithful to the Church."

Adam and Eve's 'High Treason' Reviewed

ST. LOUIS Mo. — Adam and Eve's sin, which has caused humanity so much woe, is given clear exposition in the latest pamphlet by the Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S.J., editor of The Queen's Work, Sodality magazine published here. The title of the booklet is "That Story of Adam and Eve." Elaborating on the point that it was not the theft of an apple, but high treason, that was responsible for the trouble, Father Lord emphasizes:

"It was an insolent and wrong headed disobedience to a Father whose generosity was unbounded. It was the elevation of human judgment above the judgment of God. A human pair decided that they knew more about what made happiness than God did. They took the responsibility for defying God's advice and going after the good they saw and desired.

"It was a greedy discontent with God's lavish abundance. It was the haughty desire of mortals to climb to the same level as God Himself, to become His equals, to share His knowledge and snatch His rewards.

"It was the thrusting aside of the all-beautiful God and His love to find love in the arms of a desired woman. It was a woman's love that was preferred to the love that was God Himself. Finally it was [illegible] God and to help [illegible] enemy. It was [illegible] by which the [illegible] to its

Ten Medals

Lieut. Henry Arts, of Cathedral parish, Nashville, has received his tenth decoration for outstanding service with the Army air forces in the South Pacific. He now holds five Oak Leaf clusters to the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf clusters to the Distinguished Service Medal (N.C.W.C.)

Senate Action Seen As Signing Doom Of Federal Control Bill

WASHINGTON. — (NC) — The Senate 53 to 26 vote to recommit to the Committee on Education and Labor the so-called Thomas Bill providing Federal subsidies in aid of public education may well prove to be one of the real highlights of this Congressional session, observers here believe.

It is predicted by some writers that the measure will not soon again emerge from the Senate Committee to which it has been returned, and there are those who assert that the biennial measure is done for so far as this session of Congress is concerned.

Recommitment of the measure came after five days of debate, and some writers made much of this fact. On the other hand, other observers are of the opinion that there was relative complacency shown, when one considers the extreme importance of this measure for the future of the country. They flatly assert that, if the nation and all the world were not engaged in the worst war in history, consideration of the school subsidy measure would have attracted far more attention throughout the country. There was a deal of newspaper space given to the Senate debate, to be sure, but nothing like that which the importance of the issue would have demanded in normal times, they say. In peace times, such observers maintain, some papers might not have given two, three and four times as much space to a murder trial taking place outside this country.

The Thomas bill would have made Federal grants amounting to $300,000,000 to the States in aid of the public schools. Most of this money, it was brought out in the Senate debate, would have been used to raise the salaries of school teachers. The main point at issue was whether the bill would lead to Federal control of education in the United States, an enterprise which traditionally is reserved to the States and to their political subdivisions. No one wanted this Federal control to happen, the debate showed, and the harm Adolf Hitler has been able to do by controlling education was brought strikingly to the attention of the solons.

A Certain Amount

Optimism is the noble temptation to see too much in everything. Pessimism is a think like opium that may often be a poison and sometimes medicine, but never a food.—Gilbert K. Chesterton.

Archbishop Scores Black Market, Asks Pledge Opposing It

BALTIMORE (NC)—Branding the patronizing or carrying on of black markets as a serious affair "in which grave sins against justice and charity can be committeed and where reparation may be called for," the Most Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore and of Washington, has written a signed editorial, published in The Catholic Review here, calling upon Catholics to sign a pledge to cooperate with the Office of Price Administration in securing fair war-time distribution of commodities at reasonable prices.

The Archbishop instructs the clergy of the Archdiocese to bring the matter to the attention of their congregations. The case of oranges, of which there has been a shortage recently in local markets, is mentioned specifically by the Archbishop.

"Oranges," he writes, "have a ceiling price of, let us say, 65 cents a dozen. The man who asks $1.30 a dozen is trying to rob the public in his desire to make unjust gains. The woman purchaser who pays $1.30 for a dozen of oranges is helping that man to defraud the public. She is depriving her own family of 65 cents and those who come after her to purchase oranges . . ."

Archbishop Curley asks his people to sign the following pledge.

"1.—That they will never pay more than the top legal price;

"2.—That they will never deal with a black market in which goods are sold, without surrendering ration stamps, at a price that makes the seller the fair equivalent of a highwayman;

"3.—If the readers of this notice have knowledge of the existence of such black markets or of stores where the ceiling prices are not displayed, they have an obligation resting on charity to report such unfair dealing to proper Government authority, which is, in this city, the OPA Office."

Pointing out that the vast majority of stores are conducting their business in an honest and upright way, the Archbishop concludes: "We still have not a few Fifth Columnists in our midst who are not Nazis and not Fascists, but who are our own people, who, in their greed for the dollar, are willing to do their share, and a large share, in bringing inflation to this land which will do it more harm than ever could be done by any war. If this kind of thing continues, we shall have to get together after the war and peace to save our country from ourselves."

"Pistol-Packing Mama" May Be Prophetic

During the present tense days of turmoil and upheavel in the nation's life, a nonsensical popular song has boiled up to the top, but, in the light of tragic conditions revealed as existing among young girls, that song, "Pistol Packin' Mamma," looms with prophetic import. This is the fearsome conclusion that one reaches upon scanning figures released by J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the children's bureau of labor department.

Crime on Upgrade

The Hoover report, compiled from records obtained all over the country, discloses an increase of more than 55 per cent in the number of arrests of girls under 21 years of age. The cases of prostitution increased 64 per cent, other sex offenses 80 per cent, vagrancy 124 per cent, disorderly conduct 60 per cent, and drunkenness close to 40 per cent.

One of the alarming aspects of the report is the heavy increase in the number of girl cases involving crimes formerly restricted almost entirely to males. For example, there was an increase of more than 29 per cent of females charged with homicide, 27 per cent with larceny, 14 per cent assault and burglary, and 102 per cent disorderly conduct and vagrancy.

The figures for crime among boys under 21 years old, while not as startling as those in the case of girls, are none the less matter for grave concern also. For example, the FBI shows an increase of 17 per cent in cases of assault, 10 percent in rape, 26 per cent in disorderly conduct, and 30 per cent in drunkenness.

These figures give us an inkling of what we are to face within the next few years, unless some drastic steps are taken to curb juvenile delinquency. If boys and girls of 14, 15 and 16 years of age already are launched on the road to crime, what will they be within the next four or five years? Communities and the nation at large certainly have something to think about for the immediate future, and something to do if we are not to have another major crime wave of appalling extent.

Parents Blame Cited

While it is quite true that the movies, current trashy, filthy literature and war conditions contribute much to this tragic situation, we can also very justly lay the blame on lack of religion with its ideals and principles and the restraining effects of a moral code and a trained conscience.

Topping all this, we repeat, is the criminal negligence of parents, who fail dismally in properly rearing their children, parents who dedicate more time to their own amusement and indulgence than is the sacred duty they have to God and their children and their fellow men, of raising their offspring as God-fearing, upright, decent boys and girls.

We may laugh at the popular song, but we might as well face the fact, as proved by the FBI and the children's bureau statistics, that we are well on the way to developing female gangsterism and tigerish crime to an extent never before conceived even by the most fantastic minded pulp magazine writers. Demoralizing movies, indecent literature, negligent parents and a godless education have done their job well, tragically well. Now society suffers and must find ways and means to correct mistakes and counteract their criminal consequences.—Catholic Action of South, New Orleans.

'Yank' Tells Why USO Cannot Operate Clubs In All War Areas

WASHINGTON.—A recent issue of Yank, the Army weekly,, which is read by American servicemen all over the world, carries an explanation of why USO is not operating clubs in war areas.

The statement, a reply to thousands of queries, quotes USO:. "Where USO operates is up to the Army and Navy; it operates where the Government requests and permits it to operate. The USO maintains clubs and other services for the armed forces in the Western Hemisphere, which includes the United States, Alaska, the Canal Zone, Caribbean areas, the east coast of South America, Bermuda, Newfoundland and Hawaii. The Government does not permit USO to operate such services in Britain, Africa, Australia and the South Pacific, but has authorized other agencies to function in these areas. USO Camp Show, however, operates in all areas where servicemen are stationed."

Deny Italian Catholic Action Backs Fascists

VATICAN CITY.—Some papers in Rome have published a report that the Secretary General of Italian Catholic Action had issued a circular calling on all members of Catholic Action to serve faithfully the Fascist Republican State.

From inquiries made in authorized Italian Catholic Action circles it has been learned that this report is entirely without foundation.

Servicemen Laud Missionaries

NATCHEZ, Miss.—Referring to the support of missions in former times by the people of Europe and to the need of the United States to take over this burden now, the Most Rev. Richard O. Gerow, Bishop of Natchez, told, in his letter to the clergy relative to Mission Sunday of the praise for mission workers contained in letters of U. S. servicemen.

"Our soldiers and sailors who have gone into the Pacific and the Far East," the Bishop said, "have sent back word to us of the wonderful work that is being done by the missionaries in these parts, missionaries who are still carrying on despite the hardships and privations brought upon them by the war. One serviceman wrote back: 'In all our travels, wherever we saw the Cross on a Catholic church, we knew we would find a welcome and a home if we needed it.'"

If we neglect to be careful about little things, we shall be led on till we boldly commit great sins.

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